

KURT TATTEN: My name is Kurt Tatten. I'm a mine manager at Bowie Resource Partners, Dugout Canyon Mine. First I want to make comment just because of the earlier comment that for sure we're against the moratorium and raising the cost of leasing is not worth it. We're already paying above fair market value. But I want to talk about little bit the economic impact that our money brings to the state and to our surrounding communities. We employ 107 employees. Out of that there are an additional 73 trucking jobs that are supplied through another vendor to haul the coal from our mine. This is just last year, 2015. So total jobs indirect and direct -- there's another ratio of vendors and other support -- comes to 501 people. 501 families supported from this small mine but in MSHA's eyes a large mine. Our payroll is 13 million and some change. Supplies and services 24 million, that we're paying out to vendors. Our utilities, Rocky Mountain Power, \$1,425,000. Here's getting to these ends. Property taxes, 385,000. Production taxes 902,000, and royalties 2,229,00. Again, this is 2015. So total direct benefits to the state that they see out of Dugout Canyon Mine is \$42,422,000. Indirect benefits, average employee wage for the mine, so 107 employees, \$122,000 annual. That's wages and benefits. We're part of Bowie Resource Partners teams. You're going to hear substantially higher numbers that we're part of. So we provide a service that's actually paying to help our schools, help our state, help our communities, and help our children. So please take that into consideration when you look at this re-leasing. Please see if we can get rid of the moratorium and open it up. It takes a long time to get mines running coal. It's not unusual from the time of thinking about trying to get some type of a lease to be 15 years down the road and you're still not mining that coal, so three years is a major hiccup to our mine plans. Thank you.